February 11, 2022

MEMORANDUM

To: Committee on Budget and Finance

From: Daniel Bollman  
Vice President for Strategic Infrastructure Planning and Facilities

Subject: Long-Term Lease of Space in Flint

RECOMMENDATION
The Trustee Committee on Budget and Finance recommends that the Board of Trustees authorize the Administration to enter into a lease of space in the City of Flint for purposes of expanding College of Human Medicine Public Health research capacity.

RESOLUTION
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Michigan State University hereby authorizes the Administration to negotiate and execute a lease for space in the City of Flint for a term that may exceed 10 years, and upon such other terms and conditions as may be acceptable to the President or his designee.

BACKGROUND
ON January 26, MSU and the C.S. Mott Foundation announced a $25 million grant to the College of Human Medicine. The grant will create an endowed fund to increase public health faculty, academic research and community health collaborations, and allow the college to grow its successful Flint-based research program by 18 principal investigator teams. The expanded research enterprise in Flint will continue to grow the Health Sciences research mission in Flint and will allow greater collaboration with population health research in East Lansing, Grand Rapids, and Detroit at the Henry Ford Hospital System affiliation.

The authorization in this resolution will allow MSU to lease space to house the research teams. It is anticipated that the lease will be for
approximately 40,000 square feet in Flint. The College of Human Medicine will fund the lease costs for this space through college funds and indirect cost recovery.


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